Farrel-McWhirter Preschool

Quality Preschool Education for your child...

The Farrel-McWhirter Preschool is nestled in a natural setting of a working farm and an ever-changing forest. The preschool program promotes children's social, physical, and cognitive growth in a secure, creative, and stimulating environment. Caring and experienced teachers design programs to meet the developmental needs of each child. Our curriculum includes language, math, science, art, music, movement, and environmental education, coordinated into theme-based units. Children gain independence and self-esteem, as they are encouraged to be active participants in a supportive preschool environment.

Registration began in February for the 2011-2012 preschool classes. Call the registration office to be placed on the wait list.

Ages listed will be strictly adhered to in order to maintain classroom integrity. Children must be potty trained by class start date, no pull-ups.

All participants will be charged a one-month non-refundable deposit. This deposit will be applied as payment for May, 2012. Preschool payments are due by the first calendar day of each month starting September 1, 2011. Service charges will be assessed for late payments. Fees are based on total tuition for the 9-month school year, divided into 9 equal monthly payments.

Program information/registration and fee payment procedure is subject to change. Preschool class information and a schedule of school holidays and breaks will be provided prior to the start of the program.

REFUND POLICY: ALL DEPOSITS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE. Please see Farrel-McWhirter Preschool Parent Guide for complete refund and preschool policy information.

Please call the Preschool at 425-556-2324 to schedule a visit.



Farrel-McWhirter Preschool Preschool - Creative Play

Now 9:1 ratio. Fun, friends and cooperative play are the essence of this program. Children build friendships, develop social skills and learn to participate in a school setting. We encourage a love for learning and nature as we explore a variety of topics and visit the farm and forest at Farrel-McWhirter Park. A perfect first preschool experience (not recommended for pre-kindergartners). Children must be potty-trained, NO PULL-UPS, by start of class. Must be 3 by August 31.

 Instr: Terri Edgar

 Loc: Farrel-McWhirter Park Farrel House.

 Age 3-4
 Fee: \$182R/\$218N

 Tue,Thur
 Sep 6-May 31
 9-11:30am

Preschool - Pre-K Discoveries

Pre-Kindergarten in a unique setting! We incorporate environmental resources at our doorstep into engaging and meaningful learning experiences for older preschoolers. Through thematic studies, we offer diverse and creative approaches to pre-kindergarten readiness skills - social, physical and academic. Children learn through hands-on activities and individualized instruction. Children must be potty-trained, NO PULL-UPS, by start of class. Must be 4 by August 31.

Instr: Terri Edgar
Loc: Farrel-McWhirter Park Farrel House.
Age: 4-5......Fee: \$247R/\$296N
Wed, Thur, Fri Sep 7-May 31 12:30-3:30pm

Preschool - Preschool Adventures

Enjoy the adventures of preschool and the wonders of the farm and forest at Farrel-McWhirter Park. Children build social skills and explore the world around them through cooperative play, independent choices and group activities. Teachers support and instruct children as we investigate topics in our theme-based curriculum. Children must be potty-trained, NO PULL-UPS, by start of class. Must be 3 by February 28.

Little Farmers - In the Garden

Instr: Nature Vision

38253 Wed

Experience the wonder of the garden down on the farm. Dig in the dirt, plant a seed and hold a wiggly worm! Dress for the weather and wear closed toed shoes. Price is per child.

 Loc: Farrel-McWhirter Park Museum

 Age: 1-2 yrs
 Fee: \$12R/\$14N

 38244
 Sat
 Oct 8
 10-11am

 38252
 Wed
 Oct 12
 10-11am

 Age: 2-5 yrs
 Fee: \$12R/\$14N

 38245
 Sat
 Oct 8
 11:30am-12:30pm

11:30am-12:30pm

Oct 12

Little Farmers - Animal Babies

Bring your little farmer down to Farrel-Mc-Whitter Park to get up close and personal with the tiniest animals that live at the farm. Learn fun animal facts and get ready to experience an abundance of cuteness. Dress for the weather and wear closed toed shoes. Price is per child.

Instr: Nature Vision
Loc: Farrel-McWhirter Park Museum

Age: 1-2 yrs Fee: \$12R/\$14N					
38247	Sat	Sep 10	10-11am		
38249	Wed	Sep 14	10-11am		
Age: 2-	5 yrs		Fee: \$12R/\$14N		
38248 38250	Sat Wed	Sep 10 Sep 14	11:30am-12:30pm 11:30am-12:30pm		





Little Farmers - Turkey Lurkey

Waddle on down to the farm just in time to celebrate Thanksgiving! Go on a turkey hunt to find Farrel-McWhirter's resident turkeys, and enjoy the harvest season at the park. Dress for the weather and wear closed toed shoes. Price is per child.

Instr: Nature Vision
Loc: Farrel-McWhirter Park Museum

Age: 1-2 yrs				Fee: \$12R/\$14N	
	38257	Sat	Nov 19	10-11am	
	38259	Wed	Nov 16	10-11am	
	Age: 2-	5 yrs	Fee: \$12R/\$14N		
	38258	Sat	Nov 19	11:30am-12:30pm	
	38261	Wed	Nov 16	11:30am-12:30pm	

Play & Learn

This FREE program is offered by the Chinese Information Services Center (CISC). The Play & Learn Group provides a safe and stimulating environment for young children and their caregivers to play, socialize and be introduced to basic preschool skills. Through meaningful activities, modeled by the group facilitator, caregivers will come to understand how children learn through play and also strengthen the caregiver-child relation. No need to register; drop by to Play & Learn.

 Instr: TBA

 Loc: Grass Lawn Park PAVILION.

 Age: 2-5 yrs

 Fee: Free

 38331 Tue
 Sep 20-Dec 13

 10-11:30am

Holiday Mini Chefs-P/C

Create unique holiday memories with this special session and enjoy the tastes and smells of the season with holiday themed recipes! A Mini Chefs Holiday cookbook is provided. Register each child separately, one parent per two children please. No class Nov 23

Instr: Karen Renfroe-Gielgens
Loc: Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center Room 107
Age: 2-4 yrsFee: \$49R/\$57N
37552 Wed Nov 9-Dec 7 12:15-1pm

Healthy Mini Chefs Parent & Child

Hey kids, bring your parent and get ready to prepare, bake and eat some healthy, tasty, simple treats that you'll make together! A different recipe will be covered in each class and a Healthy Mini Chefs cookbook will be provided. Register each child separately, one parent per two children please.

Instr: Karen Renfroe-Gielgens
Loc: Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center Room 107
Age: 2-3 yrsFee: \$72R/\$87N
37551 Wed Sep 14-Nov 2 12:15-1pm

Little Tykes Play Group • NEW!

Join this hands-on, fun, interactive toddler play group. We'll have free play, arts and crafts, story time and gross motor play. Every day a new activity. This class will follow the Lake Washington School District Calendar.

 Loc: Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center Auditorium

 Age: 1-5 yrs
 Fee: \$90R/\$108N

 37461
 Tue, Thu
 Sep 13-Oct 20
 9:15-10:30am

 37485
 Tue, Thu
 Oct 25-Dec 8
 9-10:30am

Tiny Treks

Tiny Treks is a fun outdoor program for you and your 2-6 year old child. Come play with us in the woods: hike, explore, learn the names of plants and look for animals with Certified Teacher Ann Glaser. Curriculum is designed to open the hearts and minds of young children to the wonders of nature. While outdoors, Teacher Ann and the kids will sing, dance and interactively explore the world around them. Each session has a unique environmental theme.

Tiny Treks Fall

Instr: TBA

Grab your child, put on rain gear and come on down! Hike with your child and look for slugs, sunflowers, fly kites, make a spider web, sing about ants. Activities include a short hike, circle time with singing and laughter, a craft or outdoor exploration and a snack. The first two sessions will meet at a different location each week, the November session will stay at Farrel-McWhirter Park. Tiny Treks requires one adult participant per 2 children.

Instr: Ann Glaser

Loc: Farrel-McWhirter Park Operations Building

Age: 2-	б yrs .		Fee: \$65R/\$78N	
38327	Fri	Sep 9-30	10-11:30am	
38328	Fri	Oct 7-28	10-11:30am	
38329	Fri	Nov 14-Dec 2	10-11:30am	

The Outdoor Preschool at Farrel-McWhirter Farm Park

Research reveals that playing in the dirt not only lowers depression and anxiety but can also make you smarter! The Outdoor Preschool (TOP) at Farrel-McWhirter is a nature discovery preschool program. Children will learn and play in the forest, trails, meadows and farm; and more than half of each day will be spent outside - rain, snow or sun. With a 6:1 student to teacher ratio, children will have plenty of one-on-one attention while they learn to observe, identify and appreciate the natural world. Children will build forts, dig in the dirt, explore puddles, streams, and trails, hunt for slugs, worms, and bugs, investigate plants, and animals, and develop a true appreciation for the environment. Children must dress for outdoor explorations, more details will be sent to parents



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after registration. Children must be potty trained (NO PULL-UPS!) and be 3 1/2 years old by the first class. The first step toward stewardship is nature discovery, and the first step toward nature discovery is TOP.

Instr: Ann Glaser

Loc: Farrel-McWhirter Park Operations Building.

Age: 4½-5 yrs Fee: \$254R/\$350N

36649 Tue, Thu Sep 20-Dec 1 10am-12:30pm

Three 10-week sessions:

Fall - 09/20-12/01 • Winter 01/03-03/08 • Spring 03/13-05/31

